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1. The Field Artillery Regiment barracks at Sztalinvaros lies at the northern edge of the east side of Dunapentele. The main building is a large four-story quarters, quite new. 25X1B
2. The regiment's [REDACTED] It is divided into two sections of three batteries each, all equipped with 122 mm howitzers. The regiment is motorized.
3. On 1 May 53 the regiment received about 200 reservists. They belonged to the classes of 1926 and 1927, and remained with the regiment until 30 Jun 53. All had served with the artillery before but needed refresher training with the new guns. 25X1B
4. The training took place in a tent camp in the wood near Kokasd, 15 km southwest of Sztalinvaros. [REDACTED] The commander of the camp was First Lt. Arpad Csermak, a former NCO about 35 years old and very strict. The commanders of the training batteries were Lt. Laszlo Kocsis, 24 years old and Lt. Janos Lorant, 23 years old. Officers and instructors were drawn from the regiment, as was the training materiel, including two 122 mm howitzers, a Maxim machine gun and four light machine guns as well as small arms.
5. After the trainees were released about 20 percent of them were retained for further instruction as noncommissioned officers.

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